

Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) & You Together, We can ensure children have sound bodies, sound minds, sound futures!

What is it?

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) supports children summer programs by enabling the programs to serve free, nutritious meals and snacks to help children in low-income areas get the nutrition they need to learn, play and grow.

How does it work?

District schools, local government agencies, camps, rec centers and private nonprofits who provide or intend to provide free meals to children register to become approved SFSP sponsors. Once approved, the District's SFSP reimburses the programs for meals served and operating costs. Sites can serve one to two reimbursable meals a day; camps can serve up to three. The Nutrition Services Unit of the State Education Office then facilitates payment to the sponsors through funds administered by the US Department of Agriculture.

2003 Maximum Per Meal Reimbursement Rate in Whole or Fractions of US \$

Meal Type	Operating Costs	Administrative Costs	
		Rural & Self-Prep	All Other Sites
Breakfast	\$1.35	\$.1350	\$.1050
Lunch or Supper	\$2.35	\$.2475	\$.2050
Supplement/Snack	\$.55	\$.0675	\$.0525

Where does the program operate?

SFSP sites can be **open**, **enrolled** or **campsites**. **Open** sites must be located in low-income areas and serve children who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. **Enrolled** sites are those where at least half of the children enrolled in an activity program are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. **Camps** may get paid only for the meals served to children who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals. **All SFSP meals are free to all participating children.**

Who is eligible to get meals?

Children up to age 18, or individuals with mental or physical disabilities who are older than 18 and in school programs.

